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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-MAT

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In re: KLTQ(FM), Beulah, ND

Facility ID No. 166059 Silent since August 15, 2018

Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority to Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Hayes:

This letter concerns the request you filed on May 8, 2019, on behalf of Synergy Broadcast North Dakota, LLC (SBND), for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to permit FM Radio Station KLTQ to remain silent.

Commission records reflect that SBND stated that Station KLTQ(FM) went silent on August 15, 2018, for financial reasons. The previous STA was granted on November 16, 2018, and expired on May 15, 2019. SBND requests extension of its STA for continuing financial reasons. The request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

SBND's request is granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station KLTQ(FM) to remain silent until August 15, 2019. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for Station KLTQ(FM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m., August 16, 2019.

SBND is required to notify the Commission when broadcast operations resume. If SBNB does not file the notification of resumption of operations in a timely manner, the license may be subject to cancellation pursuant to Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, as amended.²

The station's silent status does not suspend the licensee's obligation to comply with all other relevant Commission rules, including the filing, when appropriate, of applications for renewal of broadcast license. Finally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the station's tower shall be maintained until removed.³

Sincerely,

Lisa Scanlan

Deputy Chief, Audio Division

Media Bureau

¹ See 47 U.S.C. § 312(g).

² *Id.* In addition to filing a notification of resumption of operations electronically on the date operations resume, notification of resumption must also be emailed to Denise. Williams@FCC.gov.

³ See 47 CFR §§ 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).